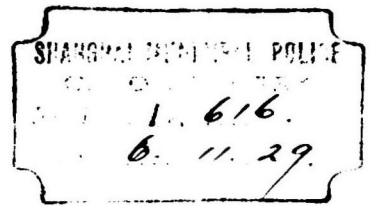


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November 6, 9

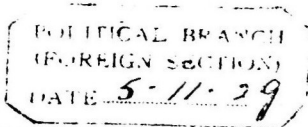
Dear Jeffery,

With reference to your letter of October 30, the Shanghai Municipal Police at present possess a warrant for the arrest of N. J. Hughes for tendering worthless cheques on the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank for goods to the value of Mex. \$ 1826.75 (£166-0-0d approx.), which he purchased from traders in this city on February 26, 1927. This warrant has remained unexecuted because Hughes succeeded in getting away before the matter was reported to the Police. Information obtained at the time shows that he left as a stowaway, and that he was fined £10-0-0d for having done so when the vessel reached Southampton.

In view of the large expenditure, which the extradition of Hughes would involve, it has not been considered expedient to endeavour to bring him back, but the warrant against him is being held in the expectation that he may return to Shanghai at some future date.

Yours sincerely,

H.W. Jeffery Esq.,
H.B.M. Consulate-General,
Shanghai.



File No. D. 616.

(C.I.D.) Office Notes

N.J. Hughes.

Sir,

No trace of this man can be found up to the present, but the staff of this section has been instructed to keep a look out for Hughes and in the event of any information being received about him, a report will be submitted to that effect.

D. M. Phil
D. S.

AP
5/11/29
5/11/29

A/D. C. I.

Form 52.
F.H. 5000-12-26.

Memorandum.

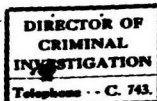
POLICE FORCE.
MUNICIPAL COUNCIL.

Shanghai, 4. 11. 1929
To Officer i/c Prison
Mr.

All Senior Porters
C. Division,
attached to Works.

Immediate copy
Information Bureau.

J. T. And
Sup.



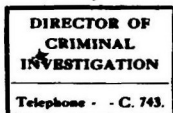
C.I.D. HEADQUARTERS.
ADMINISTRATION BUILDING.

19

Leg
Under my memo
attached. (at X)
Is he back or not?
1/11/29. Leg

Sir
I have not seen this
file regarding your memo.
at X but will have in-
quiries made

A.R. D. 129



CRIMINAL INVESTIGATION DEPARTMENT.

S. M. P.

31. 10. 1924.

Leg 9

Short summary
of the man's crime
here. He is still
"wanted" if he returns.

X For: Section +
Supt. A. for report
reference his return to
Shanghai?

See

LC (Pol)
9/15/24

Noted
NR. 2 239

616
BRITISH CONSULATE-GENERAL,
SHANGHAI.

October 30th, 1929.

Dear Aiers,

I enclose copy of a letter received here from the British Consulate at Lyons regarding a Mr. G. J. Hughes. This gentleman was apparently last in Shanghai in 1926 when he lived at 19 Albury Lane, and it is reported that he may have returned here. I should be grateful to be informed whether you have any information about him.

Yours sincerely,

E. W. Jeffery

R. C. Aiers, Esquire,
Shanghai Municipal Police.
SHANGHAI.

C O P Y

British Consulate.

Lyons.

14th September, 1929.

Ref. No.716/531/29.

Sir and dear Colleague,

A certain Mr. M. J. HUGHES, bearer of passport No.3039 issued at Shanghai on the 18th February 1926, obtained from the Acting Consul here on the 8th June last a loan of Frs.500 to enable him to return to London, alleging that he had been robbed of his pocket-book.

2. As the loan was not repaid, enquiries were made at the address he had given in London, namely 11 Harrington Gardens, and it was found that this was a private hotel which Mr. Hughes had left on the 26th May without paying his bill
of/

H.B.M. Consul-General,

SHANGHAI.

of 24-1-6.

3. I should be glad to know whether Mr. Hughes has returned to Shanghai; and if not, whether anything is known of his present whereabouts. He stated that he had an account with the Shanghai branch of the Hong Kong & Shanghai Banking Corporation.

I am, Sir and dear Colleague,

Your obedient Servant.

(SIGNED). HUGH ALEX: FORD.

Any further communication on the
subject of this letter should be addressed
to

THE COMMISSIONER OF POLICE

OF THE METROPOLIS,

NEW SCOTLAND YARD,

LONDON, S.W.1,

and the following number quoted:—

222/FC/2089 (C.2)

Communications should not be addressed
to individuals by name.

B2245.
D. 616

New Scotland Yard,

LONDON, S.W. 1.

22 MAY 1927

B2245
22.7.27

Sir,

Re Norman Hughes

I am directed by the Commissioner of Police
of the Metropolis to thank you for your letter of
the 9th May, 1927 (B. 2245), with enclosures.

I am,

Sir,

Your obedient Servant,

H. Sheppard

Assistant Commissioner

The Commissioner of Police,
Criminal Investigation Department,
Municipal Police,
Shanghai.

[Signature]

B2215

RECEIVED
C.I.D. No. B2215
Date 10 5 24

May 9, 7

Sir,

I have the honour to confirm my cablegrams of April 29th, May 2nd and May 9th and to acknowledge receipt of your replies of May 1st and May 4th. The following are copies:

"HANDCUFFS, LONDON.
"NORMAN HUGHES STOWAWAY CONVICTED
"SOUTHAMPTON APRIL TWENTY FIFTH
"FUGITIVE OFFENDER WARRANT VALID
"CHINA ISSUED CHARGES OBTAINING
"MONEY ON "WORTHLESS HONGKONG
"SHANGHAI BANK CHEQUES.
"LEGIRON."

Your reply received on May 1st:

"LEGIRON, SHANGHAI.
"CABLEGRAM NORMAN HUGHES WILL YOU
"FORWARD EVIDENCE AND ASK FOR RETURN
"OF HUGHES IS OFFENCE PUNISHABLE BY
"TWELVE MONTHS IMPRISONMENT CABLE REPLY.
"HANDCUFFS."

Further wire of May 2nd:

"HANDCUFFS, LONDON.
"ADVISED HUGHES EXTRADITION IMPOSSIBLE
"OFFENCE PUNISHABLE TWELVE MONTHS
"EVIDENCE FOLLOWS BY MAIL.
"LEGIRON."

Your reply received on May 4th:

"LEGIRON, SHANGHAI.
"HUGHES CANNOT BE PROSECUTED HERE
"FOR OFFENCE IN SHANGHAI NOT
"UNDERSTOOD WHY APPLICATION FOR
"RETURN CANNOT BE MADE UNDER
"FUGITIVE OFFENDERS ACT PLEASE
"GURNLY HIS DESCRIPTION.
"HAIKOWY."

Further wire of May 9th:

"HAIKOWY, LONDON.
"RETURN OF HUGHES POSSIBLE UNDER
"FUGITIVE OFFENDERS ACT BUT NOT
"CONSIDERED SPECIALLY IMPORTANT
"WARRANT EXPENSE FULL DETAILS AND
"DESCRIPTION FOLLOW LATER.
"LEGIRON."

On February 26, 1927 Norman J.L. Hughes obtained goods to the total value of Mex.\$1826.75 (approximately £166.0.0) from six storekeepers in this city. He tendered cheques drawn on the Hongkong & Shanghai Banking Corporation in each instance in payment. These cheques were returned by the Bank marked "Drawer's signature differs from specimen signature in our files." Police enquiries show that Hughes did at one time have an account with the Hongkong & Shanghai Bank here; but his credit balance at the time these cheques were signed was only about \$5.00 (under ten shillings). The cheques were signed Norman L.J. Hughes, whereas the specimen and correct signature held by the Bank reads:
"Norman J.L. Hughes."

Copies of the accounts of the persons victimized are enclosed herewith together with photographs of the cheques given in payment thereof and a certified copy of the warrant of arrest.

Hughes had left Shanghai when these complaints were made to the Police.

Hughes was born in Brixton, London on November 4, 1887. He went to Canada in 1900, where he was first employed on a farm and later in one of the offices of the C. P. Rly. He left therefor California in 1908 and was engaged for six years in private nursing and hospital work in Los Angeles. He came to China in 1914 and joined the C.M. Customs on May 28, 1914 resigning on January 21, 1916. Hughes next joined the Health Department of the S.M.C. on March 1, 1916 and resigned on May 31, 1925. He used the letters A.R.S.I. after his name in connection with this work. After leaving the Council's service Hughes was engaged on advertising work and appeared to live on his wits generally. Hughes' description is as follows:
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Complexion clear; Hair, dark brown; Eyes, hazel.
Speaks with a nasal accent. Good appearance and dresses well. Occasionally wears pinc nez eye glasses.

A copy of his photograph is enclosed herewith.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

Em. Sanch
Commissioner of Police.

Commissioner of Police,
New Scotland Yard,
L O N D O N.

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Telephone CENTRAL 6-

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Date.	No.	Words	Date	Time	To	
Amount charged.	Remarks	VIA NORTHERN.			Time.	
					Clerk	
NOTHING TO BE WRITTEN ABOVE THIS.						

NOTHING TO BE WRITTEN ABOVE THIS.

To *Receiver's Name*

H A N D C U P P S

Address

L O N D O N

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I request that the above Telegram may be forwarded according to the rules of the International Telegraph Convention, and according to the Company's conditions printed above, by which I agree to abide.

Date 9/5/27.

Signature

Address



Memorandum.

POLICE FORCE,
MUNICIPAL COUNCIL.

Shanghai, *Hand sent 192*

To

Frank

RETURN OF HUGHES

POSSIBLE ^DUNDER F.O.
_{/L}

ACT BUT NOT

CONSIDERED SUFFICIENTLY

IMPORTANT WARRANT

EXPENSE. *but details*

description follows mail
begin

Shanghai Municipal Police

GENERAL INVESTIGATION
C.I.D. No. *B-245*
Date *May 15 1927*

C.I.D. Headquarter Staff *Station*

May 8, 1927.

REPORT ON Norman John Hughes.

Made by C.D.I. Peck. Forwarded by C.I.D. SUPERINTENDENT

Sir,

I beg to forward the following information regarding Norman John Hughes. Hughes was born in Brixton, London, on November 4, 1887. He went to Canada in 1906, where he was first employed on a farm and later in one of the offices of the C. P. Rly. He left there for California in 1908 and was engaged for six years in private nursing and hospital work in Los Angeles. He came to China in 1914 and joined the C. M. Customs on May 28, 1914 resigning on January 21, 1916. Hughes next joined the Health Department of the S.M.C. on March 1, 1916 and resigned on May 31, 1925. He used the letters A.R.S.I. after his name in connection with this work. After leaving the Council's service Hughes was engaged on advertising work and appeared to live on his wits generally. Hughes' description is as follows :

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I am, Sir,

Your obedient servant,

Peck
C. I. D.

W
D. C. I.

Shanghai Municipal Police.

C.I.D. Headquarter Staff *3/10/27*

May 7, 1927.

REPORT ON interview with the Crown Advocate regarding Norman Hughes.

Made by C.D.I. Peck.

Forwarded by C. I. D. SUPERINTENDENT

Sir,

I beg to report having seen the Crown Advocate in reference to the Hughes case. Mr. Mossop states that legally the extradition of Hughes is quite practicable, if the S.M.C. feel justified in spending the fairly large sum of money this would entail. It would be necessary to send to England some one who knows Hughes and who could identify him, and the expenses involved in so long a journey would be considerable and probably more than the offence warrants. Hughes' extradition could be more economically arranged had we a man at Home due shortly to return from leave. It would still be necessary for this man, or some other person in England, definitely to identify Hughes before his extradition could be effected. I asked Mr. Mossop if the Crown would not be responsible for the expenses incurred in the case in the event of a conviction, but he stated that Shanghai being an International Settlement, all expense in the matter would have to be borne by the Council or the complainants in the case. Should the Council decide to continue with the extradition of Hughes Mr. Mossop will, if desired, be pleased to advise the Prosecuting Solicitor on the correct procedure to be observed in this matter under the Fugitive Offenders Act.

I am, Sir,

Your obedient servant,

D. C. I.

[Signature]
C. D. I.

FM. 52

Memorandum.

POLICE FORCE.
MUNICIPAL COUNCIL.

Shanghai, _____

6. 5. 1927.

To

DCI.

Send someone to see
B. Mag. re return
of Hughes under
I.O. act.

Eim' Barchi

C.P.

Memorandum.

PROSECUTING SOLICITOR'S OFFICE,
MUNICIPAL COUNCIL.

Shanghai,

May 6th 1925

To Commissioner of Police

Fugitive offenders can be
returned under O. in C. (1923)
17.0. Act 1881. but I was
advised that this case would
hardly warrant the expense.

Philip W. Goldring

WLG

Hashee being liable to more
than twelve months' imprisonment
would come within the Act.

WLG

6a. 60° — Forwarding Form.

All important Telegrams should be registered. — Quarter-rates extra charged for Repetition.

Telegraphic Address: "EASTWICK."
Telephone Number: 888.

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DATE	WORDS
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SHANGHAI STATION.

7. Band.



To prevent mistakes attention is called to the importance of Legible Writing.

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No. AND CIRCUIT _____

BY _____

Via Eastern

OFFICIAL INSTRUCTIONS

To Receiver's Name HANDCUFFS.
Address LONDON.

DO NOT CONSIDER CASE SUFFICIENTLY IMPORTANT
FOR RETURN OF HUGHES FULL DETAILS AND DESCRIPTION
FOLLOW BY MAIL

LEGIRON.

*PS. "Handcuffs" says not understood why
return impossible under F.O. act?
Above is no sort of explanation?*

6. 5. 27. E. B.

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Signature and Address of Sender

(NOT TO BE TELEGRAPHED)

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Telephone Number: 600.

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THE EASTERN EXTENSION AUSTRALASIA & CHINA TELEGRAPH COMPANY, Limited.

Incorporated in England

Telegraphic Address
"EASTERN"

SHANGHAI STATION.

4, Avenue Edward VII

Telephone Number

ZEAL ORD 233 ⁸⁹⁹ 12/46PM 4/5/27 1764

The following Telegram Received via **EASTERN** at

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LONDON 30 3 6/20PM CRWLS

LCO LEGIRON SHANGHAI

HUGHES CANNOT BE PROSECUTED HERE FOR OFFENCE IN
SHANGHAI NOT UNDERSTOOD WHY APPLICATION FOR RETURN
CANNOT BE MADE UNDER FUGITIVE OFFENDERS ACT PLEASE
SUPPLY HIS DESCRIPTION

HANDCUFFS

P.S. Please draft suitable reply by wire
saying full details will follow by mail
E. B.

NO ENQUIRY RESPECTING THIS TELEGRAM CAN BE ATTENDED TO WITHOUT THE PRODUCTION OF THIS FORM

Memorandum.

PROSECUTING SOLICITOR'S OFFICE,
MUNICIPAL COUNCIL.

Shanghai,

192

To

Do not consider case
sufficiently important to
return of Hughes ~~evening~~
~~possible~~. Full details &
description follow by mail.

大北電報公司

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ALL IMPORTANT TELEGRAMS SHOULD BE REPEATED. QUARTER RATES EXTRA CHARGED FOR REPETITION.

Class		Local No.	
Date	No.	Words	Date
Amount charged.	Remarks	Time	To
	VIA NORTHERN.		Time
			Clerk

NOTHING TO BE WRITTEN ABOVE THIS.

To *Receiver's Name* **HANDGUFFS**
Address **LONDON.**

**ADVISED HUGHES EXTRADITION
 IMPOSSIBLE OFFENCE PUNISHABLE
 TWELVE MONTHS EVIDENCEFOLLOWS
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Date **2/5/27.**

Signature

Address

(103)

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Incorporated in England

Telegraphic Address:
"EASTERN"

SHANGHAI STATION.

4, Avenue Edward VII

Telephone Number: 899.

The following Telegram Received via **EASTERN** at

大東電報公司

DCU

Draft reply -

Ench

NO ENQUIRY RESPECTING THIS TELEGRAM CAN BE ATTENDED TO WITHOUT THE PRODUCTION OF THIS FORM.

HANDCUFFS

BONDON

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SOUTHAMPTON	APRIL	TWENTYFIFTH	FUGITIVE
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ON	WORTHLESS	HONGKONGSHANGHAI	BANK
CHEQUES			

LEGIRON



April 29, 1927.

Memorandum

Shanghai Municipal Police

April 29, 1927.

To Commissioner of Police,

I would suggest wiring to Scotland Yard to the effect that there is a warrant here for the arrest of Hughes on charges of obtaining approximately \$1,400 by issuing worthless cheques on the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank.

H. J. J. J. J.

D. C. I.

*Approved**G. J. J.*

29 APR 1927

MEMORANDUM.

FROM THE PROSECUTING SOLICITOR'S OFFICE,
SHANGHAI MUNICIPAL COUNCIL.

To D.C. 1

Shanghai, April 28th 1927.

Re Norman Hughes

There is, of course, no question of extradition.
I do not think that we should ask H.B. M. Consulate to aid in
the matter of sending this "dossier" home.

I suggest that we forward the certified copy of the unexecuted warrant
(herewith) with all other papers forming the "dossier" to
Scotland Yard.

I do not know what course has been pursued in previous
similar cases. but it seems advisable to curb this man's
activities, if possible.

Philip W. Golding
A.P.S.

Memorandum.

PROSECUTING SOLICITOR'S OFFICE,
MUNICIPAL COUNCIL.

Shanghai,

27th April 1927

To

Superintendent

Burnside

file found
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Mr Maitland informs me
that he has no other papers
in the matter.

The file shared by with S. I. Schmidt
I have returned the unexecuted
warrant to Mr King.

Philip W. Holding
APB

Shanghai Municipal Council.



POLICE FORCE.
(COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE.)

URGENT.

March 3, 1927.

The Manager,
Hongkong & Shanghai Banking Corporation,
Shanghai.

Dear Sir,

I shall be glad if you can give me any information concerning the amount of securities you hold in the name of Norman L. J. Hughes (alias Norman J. L. Hughes). This person appears to have a credit balance of \$3.00 with your Bank, but has signed cheques for approximately \$1400.00.

The information is required for use by the Prosecuting Solicitor as it is proposed to take action against this man.

Yours faithfully,

Wm. B. B. B.
Commissioner of Police.

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SHANGHAI MAN STOWS AWAY ON LINER +

Discovered On Empress
Of Scotland; Fined
£10 In England

London, Apr. 26.

Norman John Hughes was to-day fined £10 at Southampton because he "stowed away" on board the Canadian Pacific liner Empress of Scotland.

Hughes declared that the troubles at Shanghai during the past two years had destroyed his advertising agents' business there. He had failed to get other work and secreted himself on board the liner when she called at Shanghai on her cruise, but was soon discovered.

Hughes stated that he had a wife and child at Shanghai.

Shanghai Municipal Police.

Brief
H. S. I.
Hongkew Police Station.

April 27, 1927.

REPORT ON Norman John Hughes.

Made by D. S. I. Schmidt.

Forwarded by _____

Sir,

I respectfully beg to forward attached cutting from
The Shanghai Times of April 27, 1927.

The arrival at Southampton of the above named, for
whose arrest a British Supreme Court Warrant is on file at
Hongkew on charges of obtaining goods by false pretences, explains
the disappearance of the wanted man from Shanghai.

I am Sir, .

Yours obediently

H. J. Schmidt

D. S. I.

D. C. I.

B2245
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27.

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Yours faithfully,

(Sd) E.L.M. Barrett.

Commissioner of Police.

Shanghai Municipal Police

HEADQUARTERS
CENTRAL REGISTRY.
No. *B2215*
Date *4.13.27*

Hongkew Police Station.

April 13, 1927.

Further
REPORT ON British subject obtaining goods by means of worthless
cheques.

Made by D. S. I. Schmidt.

Forwarded by

J. Mackenzie Imp't.

Sir,

With reference to attached file, I beg to report that Norman L. J. Hughes, has succeeded in leaving Shanghai, somewhere about February 27 or 28. His destination, from reliable information received is Sydney, Australia.

He did not leave Shanghai under his own name, this has been verified from inquiries made at shipping offices and the British Consulate. It is presumed that he left for Hongkong on the dates mentioned above, as no passport is required from a British subject for this journey.

An address (attached), which was left with a Japanese woman, with whom he had been cohabiting the last two years, reads- N. J. Hughes Esq. G. P. O. Sydney, Australia. Poste Restante.

As seen from the above dates, he left Shanghai before the complaints were made to the Police.

Attached are all the cheques, which came in the possession of the Police and the British Supreme Court Warrant for the arrest of Hughes, which I respectfully suggest, might be kept on file, although there is little likelihood, of this man returning to Shanghai in the near future.

Complainants are aware that this swindler has been successful in absconding.

I am Sir

Yours obediently

D. S. I. Schmidt
D. S. I.

D. C. I.

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being A.S.I.*

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[Signature]

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Shanghai Municipal Police.

Hongkew Police

Station

March 3,

1927.

REPORT ON British subject obtaining goods by means of worthless
cheques.

Made by D. S. I. Schmidt.

Forwarded by J. Markensie

Sir,

I beg to report that at 11 a.m. 2/3/27, Yok Sang of 105a Broadway, a Jewellery Store, reported at this station that on 26/2/27, he sold a diamond ring value \$490. to a foreigner, receiving in payment a cheque for the above amount on the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank, the Foreigner signing the cheque Norman L. J. Hughes.

On presenting the cheque at the bank on the 28/2/27, same was returned marked: "Drawer's signature differs from Specimen in our file".

From inquiries made at the Bank it was ascertained that altogether six cheques had been presented to the bank, bearing the same signature and which were returned to the bearers, with the same remarks.

The difference in the signature is that Hughes signed the cheques Norman L. J. Hughes, but the specimen at the bank is signed Norman J. L. Hughes, for reasons of his own he had changed the initials. The amount credited in his name at the bank is \$3.60 cents. The other cheques are as follows:-

Hung Chong Co.	\$450.	(Central)
Marcel.	\$ 26.	(Louza)
Tuck Chong Co.	\$800.	(Hongkew)
American Drug Store	\$ 31.	(Central)
Miyakoya & Co.	\$ 49.	(Hongkew)

The Hongkew cheques were all issued on February 26.

Inquiries elicited the information, that Norman J. L. Hughes

Shanghai Municipal Police.

Station

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REPORT ON

Made by

Forwarded by

was formerly with the Shanghai Municipal Health Department, and left two years ago on his own accord.

Since then he has been living more or less on his wits and has been guilty of several shady transaction.

The Prosecuting Solicitor, Mr. Maitland was consulted, and a British Supreme Court Warrant on a charge of obtaining goods by false pretences, has been issued for the arrest of Norman L. J. Hughes.

The whereabouts of Hughes at the present moment are unknown, but he is well known amongst the Police and if still in Shanghai, to trace him would not be difficult.

Warrant at Hongkew. Inquiries proceeding.

I am, Sir,

Yours obediently,

H. J. Schmidt

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FURTHER REPORT

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Shanghai Municipal Police.

Central

Station.

March 3rd, 1927.

REPORT ON A Foreigner issuing cheques which can not be met.

Made by P. C. S. MacLeod,

Forwarded by

L. J. Hughes

Sir,

I beg to report that at 4-30 p.m., on the 2nd inst. one Chiu Pock Chuen (邱伯鈞) came to the station and made a report as follows:- I am the assistant Manager of Hung Chong (恒昌) Co., Jewellers, 43 Hanking Road. At 2 p.m. on the 21st of February 1927, a foreigner came into the shop and gave an order to make a white gold ring with platinum setting and a single diamond of .82 carat. The ring was priced at \$430.00. At the time the order was given, the foreigner was asked to give his name, he complied by writing L. J. Hughes, S. M. C. on a piece of paper which he handed to the complainant.

At 1 p.m. on February 26th, 1927 Hughes called at Hung Chong's and was given the ring in exchange for which he tendered a post-dated cheque No. D.980212 for \$430.00 on the Hong-Kong and Shanghai Banking Corporation. The cheque was dated February 28th, 1927 and signed Norman L. J. Hughes. Chiu called at the bank on the 28th of February but was handed back ^{the cheque} with a chit attached on which is written "Drawers signature differs from specimen in our files."

Enquiries made at the bank have ascertained that Hughes did at one time have an account at the bank mentioned but that it had all been withdrawn excepting about \$5.00. Hughes's address is unknown to the Bank Authorities.

The Sub-Accountant informed the undersigned that an inspection of Hughes's account would be contrary to the Bank's Regulations unless an order was to come direct from the Commissioner of Police or a person in Authority. The American Drug Company

Shanghai Municipal Police.

Station.

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REPORT ON 2.

Made by

Forwarded by

at 40 Nanking Road has also been victimised by Hughes in that he handed in a cheque No. D. 980217 for \$31.00 for goods received.

It is believed that Hughes has passed off several such cheques in Hongkew District, which cheques are at the moment in possession of D. S. I. Schmidt.

A warrant has been issued by the British Supreme Court for the arrest of Hughes. The warrant is at Hongkew Station. I respectfully suggest that this file be passed to D. S. I. Schmidt who has sworn the warrant against the wanted man. The cheques which have been used in this district are being handed to D. S. I. Schmidt.

D. S. White.
3-3-27.

I am, Sir,

Yours obediently,

J. MacLeod.

P. O. S.

D. S. I.

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Shanghai Municipal Police.

RECEIVED
CENTRAL REGISTRY
No. *B3215*
Date *29-3-27*
Central Station.

March 28th, 1927.

REPORT ON Attached.

Made by P. C. S. MacLeod.

Forwarded by *L. L. ...*

Sir,

I beg to enclose herewith a letter and cheque No. D. 980216 which were received here on March 28th, 1927 from Mr. R. Hossenlopp of " Marcells ", 32 Nanking Road. It appears that the cheque was given to the cashier of " Marcells " on February 28th, 1927 in payment of goods received.

When it was sent to the bank payment on it was refused as there was no account in the name of the man who had signed it. This is but one more cheque issued by the man who obtained goods from Hung Chong 40 Nanking Road and The American Drug Company, at 40 Nanking Road. A report on both those cases was made by the undersigned on March 3rd, 1927.

I respectfully suggest that this file be passed to D. S. I. Schmidt at Hongkew who swore a warrant against the wanted man.

I am, Sir,

Yours obediently,

A. MacLeod

P. C. S.

D. C. I.

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MAISON
MARCEL

FABRIQUE
DE
CHOCOLAT

PATISSERIE CONFISERIE FRANCAISE

SALON DE THE
248-249-244-245A Szechuen Road.

TEL. C. 2536
ADDRESS TELEGRAM:

"MARCEL"
SHANGHAI

RECEIVED
CENTRAL REGISTRY
CID. No. *B2245*
Date *29-3-29*

Shanghai, le 25th March 1929

Chief Inspector,

Shanghai Police Station,

Shanghai.

Dear sir,

I am enclosing a cheque for \$ 26.75 giving by a Mr.
N. L. J. Hughes in payment of some goods, the Bank returned the che-
que with the remarks Signature not correct, On making further inquire
at the Bank they informed me that this man had no account and used
another mans name in the cheque and the Bank further advised me to
communicate with you on this matter.

Trusting to be excused for the trouble I am given you.

Yours truly,

CONFISERIE "MARCEL"

Enclosing 1 Cheque.

La seule fabrique française de chocolat en Extrême Orient

MEMO.

From the

Hongkong & Shanghai Banking Corporation,

(INCORPORATED IN HONGKONG)

Cheque No. D 980212 returned

ANSWER:

*Drawers Signature differs from
specimen in our files.*

Shanghai, 28th Feb 1927.

H. J. Hughes

22 Madhurst Rd

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MEMO.

From the

Hongkong & Shanghai Banking Corporation,

(INCORPORATED IN HONGKONG)

Cheque No. A980214 returned

ANSWER:

*Drawer's signature differ
from specimen in our file*

Shanghai, 28th Feb 1927 *W. W.*

MEMO.

From the

Hongkong & Shanghai Banking Corporation,

(INCORPORATED IN HONGKONG)

Cheque No. A980215 returned

ANSWER:

*Drawer's Signature differ from
specimen in our file* }

Shanghai, 1st mch 1927 *W. W.*

Hongkong & Shanghai Banking Corporation.

(Incorporated in Hongkong)

HONGKONG SUB-AGENCY,

27, Broadway,

Shanghai.

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T. J. J. J. J.

Dear Sir,

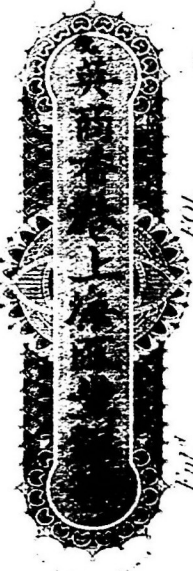
I beg to return herewith, unpaid and to
debit of your account, cheque for ~~£ 1000~~

with answer:—

Drawn signature differs from original
as signature given to the bank

Yours faithfully,

E. J. J.



No. D 980214 Shanghai Feb 26th 1927

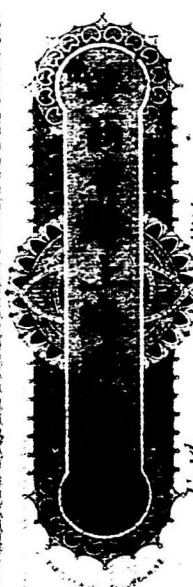
Hong Kong Shanghai Banking Corporation

Pay Yok Song or Bearer
Dollars Four hundred & ninety only

此票在上海取銀

\$490⁰⁰

Norman L. J. Hughes



No. D 980216 Shanghai Feb 26th 1927

Hong Kong Shanghai Banking Corporation

Pay Marcel
Dollars Seventy five cents

此票在上海取銀

\$26²⁵

Norman L. J. Hughes



No. D 980212 Shanghai Feb 28th 1927

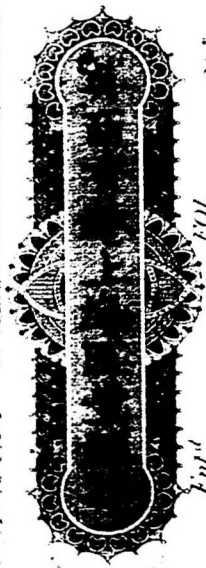
Hong Kong Shanghai Banking Corporation

Pay Hung Chong or Bearer
Dollars Four hundred & thirty only

此票在上海取銀

\$430⁰⁰

Norman L. J. Hughes



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 No. D 980215 Shanghai Feb. 26th 1927

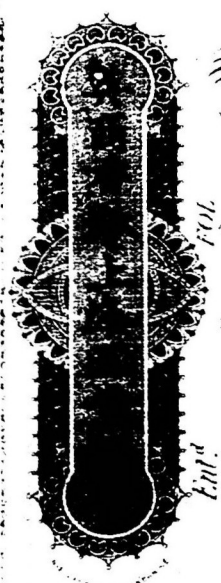
Hong Kong & Shanghai Banking Corporation
 SHANGHAI.

Pay Miyakoya & Co or Bearer
 Dollars Forty nine only

此票在上海取銀

\$49⁰⁰

Norman L. J. Hughes



No. D 980213 Shanghai Feb. 26th 1927

Hong Kong & Shanghai Banking Corporation
 SHANGHAI.

Pay Yuck Chang & Co or Bearer
 Dollars Eight hundred only

此票在上海取銀

\$800⁰⁰

Norman L. J. Hughes

THE SPORTING NEWS
 AND AMUSEMENT REVIEW
 29 AVENUE EDWARD VII
 (P. O. BOX 1070)
 SHANGHAI

H. J. HUGHES ESQ.

G. P. O.

SYDNEY.

AUSTRALIA.

POSTE RESTANTE.

MEMO.

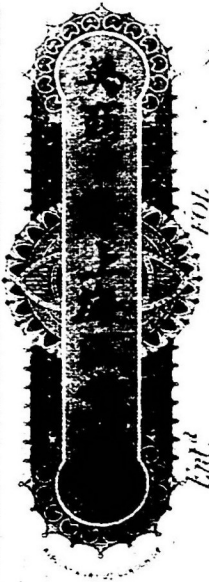
From the
Hongkong & Shanghai Banking Corporation,
(INCORPORATED IN HONGKONG)

Cheque No. *N980217* returned

ANSWER:

*Drawer's signature differs
from specimen in our file*

Shanghai, *28th Feb* 1927



N980217



Feb 26th 1927

Hongkong & Shanghai Banking Corporation
H. S. B. C. SHANGHAI.

Pay *American Drug Co.*
Dollars *Thirty one*

Order
or Treasurer

此票在上海取銀

\$31⁰⁰

Norman L. J. Hughes

Form 50.
F.H. 5000-12-26.

Memorandum.

POLICE FORCE.
MUNICIPAL COUNCIL.

Shanghai, *6th May* 1927.

To *Mr. H. S. B. C. D. C. S.*

Sir,

*The man marked with
x is 'Hughes' who absconded
from Shanghai, on the Empress
of Scotland, and was arrested
at Southampton.*

*Yours obediently
H. Conant*

Lawrence Station

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IN HIS BRITANNIC MAJESTY'S SUPREME COURT FOR CHINA
AT SHANGHAI.

CRIMINAL JURISDICTION.

SHANGHAI, Thursday the 2nd day of March 1927.

To the Commissioner of Police and other Shanghai
Municipal Police Officers or other Officers of this Court.

Complaint has this day been made (on oath) before
this Court that Norman L.J. Hughes alias Norman N.L.
Hughes of Shanghai on the 26th day of February 1927
at Shanghai with intent to defraud obtained from Tuck
Chang & Co. Limited one diamond ring of the value of
£ 800.00 by falsely pretending that a certain paper
writing which he the said Norman L.J. Hughes then
produced and delivered to the said Tuck Chang & Co.
Limited then was a good and valid order for the payment
of £ 800.00 and that he the said Norman L.J. Hughes
then had the authority to draw a cheque upon the
Hongkong & Shanghai Banking Corporation at Shanghai
aforesaid Contrary to Section 32 of the Larceny Act
1916.

Therefore you are hereby commanded in the name of
His Majesty King George forthwith to apprehend the said
Norman L.J. Hughes alias Norman N.L. Hughes and to bring
him before this Court to answer to the said complaint.

G.W. King

Registrar.

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